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foreign.

## APPALLING CALAMITY.

Johnstown, Pa., Instantly Swept

Away by a Flood.

The Greatest Catastrophe in the Country's

History—Three Hundred Lives Lost

By the Bursting of a Reservoir—

Terrible Scenes.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 1.—A sudden

flood in the West Fork river, east of

Johnstown, Pa., in the Allegheny moun-

tains resulted in an awful catastrophe.

Last evening, according to a reliable

source, 1,000 lives were lost. The reser-

voir burst about five o'clock and the im-

mense volume of water rushed down to

the city, carrying with it death and de-

struction. Houses with their occupants

were swept away and hundreds of people

were drowned.

Up to nine p. m. information received

about the Johnstown catastrophe came

through Pennsylvania railway officials,

who advised that over 300 dead bodies had

been "counted" floating down stream from

Johnstown alone, while along the line

many additional lives have been lost.

It was asserted that there were but two

houses in Johnstown proper entirely

above the water line.

A special train bearing Pennsylvania

railway officials and a large number of

newspaper men left this city for the scene.

Telegraphic communication was entirely

cut off.

W. H. Hays, superintendent of the sec-

tion of the Pennsylvania railroad covered

by the flood, telegraphed last night to

Superintendent Pitcairn as follows: "The

calamity is terrible. The dam at

Johnstown is gone between the bridge

and tower. West of Johnstown at some

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## THE HAYMARKET MONUMENT.

Unveiling of the Memorial to the Victims

of the Bomb-Throwing.

CHICAGO, May 31.—The monument in the

Haymarket square, erected to the memory

of the police who were killed in the

famous anarchist riot in 1886, was un-

veiled yesterday. The ceremony took

place at ten o'clock. Master Deagan, son

of the sculptor, unveiled the monument.

Mayor Greiger accepted on behalf

of the city. Addresses were made by

Mayor Greiger, P. H. Head and others.

The monument is a beautiful one and

will be universally voted to be an ornament

to that part of the city. It consists of

a pedestal of white granite, surmounted

by a statue of a woman, the figure of

Justice, holding a shield. The pedestal

is square, with the usual moldings,

and rests on a circular base about fifteen

feet across and two steps high. From

the lower part of the pedestal two

scrolls, or wings, run to the right and

the left, terminating in smaller pedestals

on which are ornamented bronze lamp

posts. On the front of the pedestal is

the name of the city, and the words:

"In the name of the people of Illinois

I command peace." On the eastern face,

in similar letters, are the words: "De-

dedicated by Chicago May 4, 1886, to the

defenders in the riot of May 4, 1886."

THE CHEROKEE STRIP.

The Cherokee Indians at Vantage Com-

missioning the Strip.

TABLET, May 31.—Great dis-

satisfaction prevails all over the Nation

regarding the position taken by Chief

Mayes in regard to the negotiations for

the sale of the Cherokee Strip, and it is

now the talk of the day. Dissatisfaction

prevails and many of the Chief's own

party oppose his actions. He is very in-

dependent, however, and pays but very

little attention to other views than those

of himself.

Colonel W. P. Ross, ex-Chief, and at

present editor of the Indian Arrow, ex-

presses his views as follows: "The Chief

is very wrong in his idea of making a

party issue of the Strip question, and

no doubt he will fail in his undertaking.

There are also questions of more im-

portance in connection with this land

question which ought to be brought before

the people. In regard to the commission I

would say that the Chief would have

saved himself much criticism had he

assumed some qualified position in re-

ference to the subject of calling an

extra session of the National Council

for the purpose of providing competent

authority to confer with the United States

commissioners. The present government

they represent want something done, and

done at once, and the idea the Chief has

that the Council, which is, in fact, the

people, ought not to be consulted about

the important matter is absurd.

At the convention which has just closed

for nominating members of the National

Council for this district (Tablet), the

men in favor of selling were left in the

cold, and men were nominated who op-

pose selling the Strip under any cir-

cumstances. Those in favor of selling do

not want less than \$3 per acre for the land,

and would like to sell for more.

TRIPLE MURDER.

William Strong Kills His Wife and a

Neighbor and His Wife.

ELLSWORTH, Kan., May 31.—A terrible

triple tragedy took place yesterday

morning at Dacey, a small town on the line

of the Santa Fe, Chicago and North

western, and Wichita and Santa Fe

roads. The tragedy was a double one,

for the town was having a holiday and

preparing to observe memorial services

when the tragedy came upon them.

The first victim was William Strong,

a man who has lived in the town for some